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Annual Report of the Geological Survey of Western Australia for the Year 1909. By A. GIBB MAITLAND, Government Geologist. Pp. 32, maps 4, and figs. 3.

The report contains a summary of the work done and the results obtained by each of the fifteen officers employed by the survey. Three bulletins were issued by the survey during the year 1909: Bull. 33, "Geological Investigation in the Country Lying between 21 deg. 30 min. and 25 deg. 30 min. S. Lat. and 113 deg. 30 min. and 118 deg. 30 min. E. Long., Embracing Parts of the Gascoyne, Ashburton, and West Pilbara Goldfields"; Bull. 35, "Geological Report upon the Gold and Copper Deposits of the Philips River Goldfield"; Bull. 37, "The Geological Features of the Country Lying along the Route of the Proposed Transcontinental Railway in Western Australia."

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"The Dakota-Permian Contact in Kansas." By F. C. GREENE. *Kansas University Science Bulletin*, Vol. V, No. 1 (October, 1909), pp. 1-8.

The paper presents a summary of the relations of the Permian and the Cretaceous in Kansas, north of the Smoky Hill River.

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Annual Report on the Mineral Production of Virginia during the Calendar Year 1908. Virginia Geological Survey Bull. No. I-A. By THOMAS LEONARD WATSON. Pp. 138.

Virginia possesses an abundance and variety of mineral materials, about forty varieties of which are now exploited, many of them on a large scale. A table of the mineral production in 1908 shows a total value of nearly \$18,000,000, of which iron makes up over \$6,000,000. Under the heading Preliminary Generalities, the author presents a brief and interesting review of the physiography and general geology of the state, including several generalized sections from various parts of the state. The parts devoted to the various mineral deposits are chiefly descriptive and statistical. A valuable feature of the report is a series of maps showing the distribution in the state of a number of the most important of the mineral deposits.

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